

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A case, comprising:
 - a hollow, cylindrical portion including an upper seat, a cavity below the seat, and a lower channel; and
 - 5 a locking device including a plate secured onto the seat, the plate including a central hole, and a plurality of legs extended downwardly from the edge of the hole, each leg having an inwardly extended latched piece,
 - whereby inserting a projection of a handle of a knife into the cavity and forcing through a channel surrounded by the latched pieces will move the
 - 10 latched pieces inwardly to lock a shoulder between the projection and the handle.
2. The case of claim 1, wherein the projection has a diameter larger than that of the channel.
3. The case of claim 1, wherein each of the plate and the seat is substantially
- 15 half circular.
4. A case, comprising:
 - a hollow, cylindrical portion including an upper cavity, a seat on a bottom of the cavity, the seat having a central channel open to a bottom of the case; and
 - a locking device including a plate secured onto the seat, the plate including
 - 20 a central hole, and a plurality of legs extended downwardly from the edge of the hole, each leg having an outwardly extended latched piece,
 - whereby inserting a hollow protrusion of a handle of a knife into the case and forcing the latched pieces to insert into protrusion will move the latched
 - pieces outwardly to lock a shoulder between an enlarged portion of a bore of
 - 25 the protrusion and a narrow end portion of the bore thereof.
5. The case of claim 4, wherein the narrow end portion of the bore of the protrusion has a diameter smaller than an outer diameter of the latched pieces.

6. The case of claim 4, wherein each of the plate and the seat is substantially half circular.